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In re U.S. Patent Application

YAHYA HAGHIRI-TEHRANI et al.

**Examiner: RICK CHANG** 

**Group Art Unit: 3729** 

Serial Number: 09/457,701

Filed: December 9, 1999

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING A CIRCUIT UNIT (AS AMENDED)

## **COMMUNICATION AND NO-FEE PETITION**

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#### COMMUNICATION

A telephone status inquiry made to the U.S. PTO on March 26, 2003 alerted the undersigned to a serious problem in the above-identified application. In particular, a typographical error made by the U.S. PTO on January 10, 2001 caused an unfortunate series of errors that resulted in the abandonment of this application by an unauthorized party. The facts, as evidenced by the file history, are outlined below.

 On January 24, 2001, the U.S. PTO entered a NOTICE OF CHANGE OF CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS (paper no. 4, copy enclosed) in the above application in error. As noted on the paper, the correspondence address change related to Patent Application No. 08/457,701. The U.S. PTO incorrectly entered the correspondence address change in Patent Application No. 09/457,701.

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- On February 26, 2002, the U.S. PTO issued an official action (paper no.
   That action was mailed to the party identified on the erroneously entered change of correspondence address. The Applicants and the Applicants' actual attorney of record had no knowledge of this action.
- 3. Remarkably, a response was actually filed on March 26, 2002 by the party that received this action in error. The response was entered as paper no. 6. The response was filed without the knowledge or consent of the Applicants.
- 4. A second official action was issued on April 4, 2002. This action was also mailed to the incorrect attorney of record. The Applicants and the Applicants' actual attorney of record had no knowledge of this action.
- 5. The application was abandoned on January 14, 2003 for failure to respond to the second official action.
- 6. The abandonment of this application occurred without the Applicants' knowledge or consent.
- 7. At no time during the prosecution of this application did Applicants file a Change of Correspondence Address directing correspondence to the party identified in paper no. 4.

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## **NO-FEE PETITION**

Applicants hereby petition the Office to reinstate the above-identified application and to resend the official action of February 26, 2002 to the correct attorney of record setting a new term for response.

A Notice of Change in Correspondence Address is attached to assist the Office in correcting the original PTO clerical error. Entry of this change is earnestly requested.

The Office is encouraged to contact the undersigned directly if any further information relating to this application is required or desired.

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